following projects have been sanctioned by Ministry of Tourism.

(a) Tourist complex at Pushkar

(b) Improvement of ghats at Pushkar

(c) 10 deluxe huts at Pushkar.

[*English*]

Railway Facilities at Nasik for Kumbhamela

2932. DR. VASANT NIWRUTTI PAWAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to provide necessary passenger facilities at Nasik to the pilgrims during the ensuing 'Kumbhamela' there;

(b) whether there is also a proposal to provide railway terminal at Nasik with necessary passenger amenities; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) At the time of Kumbhamela necessary additional facilities e.g. water taps, bathrooms, latrines, urinals second class booking office with waiting hall are proposed to be provided at Nasik for the convenience of pilgrims.

[*Translation*]

Catering System at Kalyan Station

2933. SHRI RAM BADAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the catering system at Kalyan station in Maharashtra is not satisfactory; and

(b) if so, the steps being taken by the Government to improve it and to provide eatables at reasonable rates?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Improvement in catering services is an on-going continuous process. Steps taken/proposed to be taken include use of standard raw materials, use of modern kitchen appliances, training to catering staff, frequent inspections, etc. Taking into account the input costs, the rates fixed for all eatables are considered reasonable.

Provision of Electricity and Water at Stations under Faizabad and Varanasi Divisions

2934. SHRI RAM BADAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is no adequate provision of electricity and water on the railway stations of Faizabad and Varanasi divisions and the stations on Faizabad and Varanasi section in particular; and

(b) if so, the action being taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b). No, Sir. Out of 29 Railway stations on Faizabad-Varanasi section, 22 are already electrified. These have been provided with light fittings as per the norms prescribed. Electrification of 4 more railway stations is in progress. Rest of the stations do not fulfil the norms prescribed for electrification of railway stations.

As regards Varanasi Division, out of 191 stations, 150 are electrified and provided with light fittings as per norms. Out of the remaining 41 stations only 9 qualify for electrification. The works are at different stages of progress on these 9 stations.

As regards water supply, adequate arrangements exist on stations on Varanasi Division as well as Faizabad-Varanasi section.

[*English*]

Computerised Reservation at Coimbatore Junction

2935. SHRI C.K. KUPPUSWAMY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for computerised reservation system at Coimbatore Junction, Southern Railway;

(b) if so, when the work is likely to be started and the total expenditure to be incurred thereon; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Preparatory work has already commenced. The work is scheduled to be completed by march, 1992.

The expenditure expected to be incurred for this work is Rs. 19.0 lakhs approximately.

(c) Does not arise.

Electrification of Erode-Palghat Line

2936. SHRI C.K. KUPPUSWAMY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to electrify the Erode-Palghat section on Southern Railway;

(b) if so, when the work will commence; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Due to relative priorities for other high density sections and financial constraint.

Pending Power Projects of Maharashtra

2937. PROF. ASHOK ANANDRAO DESHMUKH:
SHRI UDAYSINGRAO GAIKWAD:
SHRI RAMCHANDRA VEERAPPA:

Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of power projects of Maharashtra pending for clearance and since when these are pending;

(b) the time by which these projects are likely to be cleared; and

(c) the estimated expenditure and the capacity of each project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) to (c). Details are given below: